

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Claims 16-37 have been allowed. Additionally, claims 5-8 and 11-13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 11 has been cancelled, and the subject matter thereof has been incorporated into claim 9, and so claims 9, 10 and 12-15 are allowable.

Claim 5 has been cancelled, and the subject matter thereof has been incorporated into claim 1, except for the subject matter of intervening claim 3. Claim 1 is nonetheless believed to be allowable since the feature of claim 5 (i.e., the definition of the acceptance width) was considered to be sufficient before the allowability of claim 11.

Claim 38 has also been amended to include the definition of the acceptance width found in claim 5, and so claim 38 is also believed to be allowable.

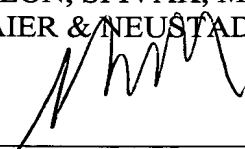
Applicants note that references "AW" in the Information Disclosure Statements filed on February 27, 2004 and June 15, 2004 have not been considered by the Examiner.

Applicants believe that this is an oversight, and request that these references be considered.

Applicants therefore believe that the present application is in a condition for allowance and respectfully solicit an early Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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